

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A scanner comprising:
a transport system for transporting a document through said scanner;
a first removable image guide on a first side of said document;
a camera for capturing an image of said document as it passes below said image guide; and
wherein said first removable image guide incorporates first upgrade feature.
2. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is a wiper.
3. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is an additional thickness of said first removable image guide for maintaining said document in close contact with said first image guide.
4. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature a nonstandard baffle color as viewed by said camera.
5. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is a manifold for removing dust from said document.
6. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is a manifold for maintaining said document in close contact with said image guide.
7. A scanner as in claim 1 comprising:
a second image guide located on a second side of said document incorporates a second upgrade feature.

8. A scanner as in claim 7 wherein said first upgrade feature comprises a wiper part of said second image guide and wherein said wiper forces said document in close contact with said first image guide.

9. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is selected from a group comprised of a wiper, an additional thickness, a nonstandard color, or a manifold.

10. A scanner as in claim 9 wherein said first removable guide incorporates a second upgrade feature selected from a group comprised of a wiper, an additional thickness, a nonstandard color, or a manifold.

11. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is a white color band to alter the color of the baffle as viewed by said camera.

12. A scanner as in claim 1 wherein said first upgrade feature is a black color band.

13. A method for scanning documents comprising:
transporting said document;
capturing and image of said document through an image
guide;
removing said image guide;
replacing said first image guide with a alternate image
guide having a first upgrade feature.

14. A method as in claim 13 wherein said first upgrade feature is a wiper.

15. A method as in claim 13 wherein said first upgrade feature is an additional thickness of said first removable image guide for maintaining said

document in close contact with the surface of the baffle opposite said image guide for the purpose of flattening said document for imaging by said camera.

16. A method as in claim 13 wherein said first upgrade feature is a nonstandard color.

17. A method as in claim 13 wherein said first upgrade feature is a manifold for removing dust from said document.

18. A method as in claim 13 wherein said first upgrade feature is a manifold for maintaining said document in close contact with said image guide.

19. A method as in claim 13 comprising:
replacing a third image guide located on a second side of said document incorporates a second upgrade feature.

20. A scanner as in claim 19 wherein said first upgrade feature comprises a wiper and wherein said wiper forces said document in close contact with said first image guide.